

Remarks

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6 and 8-10 are original.

Claims 3, 5, 7 and 11-15 are amended.

The application contains claims 1-15.

Claims 3, 5, 7 and 11 are amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Claim 11 is also amended to convert it to a composition claim and to add a listing of the optional auxiliaries. Support is found in the specification on page 6, paragraph 1 and on page 11 paragraph 3.

Claim 12 is amended to convert it to a method claim and to add clarity by incorporating the phrases "paper substrate in a pulp mass", "paper substrate in a size-press", "paper substrate in a metering press" and "contacting a paper surface with". Support is found in the specification on page 6, paragraphs 4 and 5.

Claim 13 is also amended for clarity by replacing the phrase "the compound mixture of formulae (1a), (1b) and (1c)" with "a fluorescent whitening agent" according to claim 1 and to remove multiple dependencies. Support for rephrasing the claim is found in original claims 1 and 13.

Claim 14 is amended to convert it to a method claim. Support is found in the specification on page 9, first full paragraph.

Claim 15 is amended for clarity by introducing the phrase "which fibre is" and to remove multiple dependencies.

No new matter is added.

Consideration of the present claims on their merits is respectfully awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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